(c) if not, whether Government will favourably pursue the proposal as and when the same is received?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Cases pending in Supreme Court

*546. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases pending in the Supreme Court as on 31st March, 2007;

(b) what is their State-wise break-up;

(c) what is the year-wise pendency for the last ten years; and

(d) whether any special steps are proposed to be taken to liquidate this pendency like late sittings introduced in Vadodara and Ahmedabad districts of Gujarat since November 2006?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) As per information available there are 41581 cases pending in the Supreme Court at the end of March, 2007.

(b) and (c) Information has been called for from the Supreme Court and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(d) It is for the Hon'ble Supreme Court to decide on its hours of sitting for disposing cases before it.

NTPC's Power Project in Sri Lanka

*547. DR.K. MALAISAMY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Power Finance Corporation Limited has proposed to finance NTPC's Power Project in Sri Lanka;

(b) if so, what is the project cost and the stage of the project; and

(c) whether the recent encounter between LTTE and Sri Lankan Army followed by indiscriminate attack on innocent Sri Lankan Tamils by Sri Lankan Army will affect the trade and commerce intercourse between these two countries?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, the project is envisaged to be implemented through a Joint Venture Company of NTPC Ltd. and Ceylon Electricity Board, which is proposed to be incorporated in Sri Lanka. The project cost will be known after completion of Detailed Project Report.

(c) The increasing trend of bilateral trade between India and Sri Lanka during the last six years seems to indicate that there is no correlation between the internal security situation in Sri Lanka and the bilateral trade and commerce between the two countries. The figures of bilateral trade are given below:

Year	Imports by Sri Lanka from India (US$)	Exports from Sri Lanka to India (US$)	Total Trade (US$)
2000	600	58	658
2001	602	72	674
2002	835	171	1006
2003	1093	245	1338
2004	1350	382	1732
2005	1437	588	2025
2006	1811	491	2302

Separate syllabus in Kendriya Vidyalayas and other schools

†*548. MISS ANUSUIYA UIKEY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are separate syllabus in Kendriya Vidyalayas and the schools of the State Governments;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.